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End of the Line: Part Three

Building Community

JANET TRULL
Special to County Life

Haliburton Museum
Haliburton's Presbyterian Church opened in 1875.
The person behind its design and construction was James Leitch Brown
who had been born in Arbroath, Scotland in 1841.
Brown was also a member of the church,
a lay preacher and a Sunday School teacher.

It was 1878 when the peaceful forests around Haliburton were disrupted by train whistles. By then, the village was well established. It already had schools, churches, stores, hotels and taverns, a post office, grist and sawmills, fairgrounds and a cricket field.

Religion: It cannot be easy to build a church in the wilderness, but villagers went to the trouble of constructing a bunch of them. All protestant. What possible differences could have compelled this investment of money and labour when there were so many other pressing projects to complete? People brought old country beliefs, values and cultures with them, and they were determined to replicate them. Rather than examining their new surroundings to consider fresh ideas, they stuck with what they knew. Suddenly, the forest was transformed into mini versions of towns in England and Ireland and Scotland and Europe. One church would not suffice. Anglicans, Presbyterians and Methodists may have had different doctrines, but most households agreed that Haliburton was Orange. Orange Lodge, No. 975, with die-hard loyalty to the crown and the protestant religion, was a big deal in Haliburton and did not surrender its chapter until 2001. It's hard to imagine how important these early churches were to settlers with all their struggles and losses. Churches performed much charity work in the days before social assistance. Unfortunately, other faiths were marginalized until late in the 20th century.

Education: Thanks to Egerton Ryerson (not a bad guy, but currently out of favour) education in Ontario was considered crucial. Even poor, rural bumpkins could benefit from proficiency in literacy, arithmetic, geography… and whatever version of history suited the dialogue at the time. One of the small schoolhouses in the townships was Boshkung School, S.S. No. 3. Built by early Stanhope settlers, it was torched by citizens who objected to paying taxes for the service of teaching and learning. It was rebuilt as a church that doubled as a school, which probably gave the arsonists pause. Setting a church on fire might have consequences in the afterlife.

Politics: The municipality had nine townships to juggle. The "et al" part of Dysart included Dudley, Harcourt, Guilford, Harburn, Bruton, Havelock, Eyre and Clyde. They did not always agree on by-laws and county expenditures. Since the first Council Meeting on Jan. 7, 1867, the municipality was challenged to build roads and bridges and keep them in good repair. The machinery may have been updated, but summer road work is still as predictable as black flies and spring floods. We owe a debt of gratitude to a century and a half of dedicated road crews so we can get to town. Municipality expenditures that first year were in the neighbourhood of $1,500. But you get what you pay for. Resources we take for granted today were basic or non-existent back then. There were no police services. Crimes like theft, barn fires, drunkenness and murder were not uncommon. The Northern Townships had problems just like the wild west, only without Marshal Dillon. No sheriff. No jailhouse. Women at the time were starting the tough slog toward suffrage. They gathered in women's institutes to advocate for health, education and domestic sciences. Even though they weren't eligible to vote, they improved their communities through service.

Religion, education and politics were the cornerstones of small communities throughout the region. Their success depended on leadership and shared values. They made the difference between the villages that thrived and those that became ghost towns. Haliburton, at the end of the Victoria Rail Line, survived against all odds.

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Paddling the Golden Gull

The Golden Gull Water Regatta was designed for individuals over the age of 50 to safely participate in a community paddling event. It was organized by locals Johnny Waite and Andrea Hagarty. /TIM YANO special to *County Life*

Every Child Matters

A group of Orange Shirt wearers walk in Head Lake Park on Saturday, Sept. 30 for National Day for Truth and Reconciliation to honour Residential School survivors and those who didn't make it home. The walk was organized by the Haliburton County Youth Hub. Read this week's editorial for more on Orange Shirt Day and the Every Child Matters movement. /TIM YANO Special to *County Life*

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Picture perfect
Fall in the Highlands. /Submitted by Cody Evans

Share The Warmth will help keep you warm this winter

As the leaves start to fall and the temperatures drop, the cold weather is not a welcome feeling for many in Haliburton County who struggle with not having adequate winter clothing.

If you are in need of items to help get you through the coldest months of the year, then mark your calendars for the eighth annual Share The Warmth giveaway day, happening on Oct. 28 in Haliburton and Minden.

Share The Warmth is an initiative from SIRCH Community Services that aims to help keep everyone warm by providing free winter gear for adults and children.

Throughout the month of October, donations of winter gear are accepted including coats, jackets, boots, hats, mitts, scarves and more.

All donated items will be given away for *free* on Oct. 28 in Haliburton and Minden, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. The giveaways will be happening at the SIRCH Bistro, located at 49 Maple Ave. in Haliburton and St. Paul's Anglican Church at 19 Invergordon Ave. in Minden.

There will also be a giveaway happening on Nov. 4th in Bancroft from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Thrift Warehouse, located at 141 Hastings Street North, next to the McDonalds.

Share The Warmth was originally started by Tammy Warburton, who came up with the idea during her maternity leave in 2014.

"I just kind of put it together in my spare bedroom," she said. "I had a pile of boots, socks, coats, even warm sweaters."

She ended up giving away nearly 100 items that year, between Haliburton and Minden. She still remembers how grateful the recipients were.

"It was wonderful watching some of the people come in," she said. "It was actually a snowstorm that day and there was a couple of people who came in and they didn't have anything. So when they left they looked so happy."

The following year (2015), Warburton was working for SIRCH Community Services and the organization approached her about partnering with her on the initiative. She was grateful for the help and this partnership lasted for the next few years. Eventually it grew so much that it became one of SIRCH's annual events.

"They [SIRCH] offered to take it over and I was so glad for that and so happy to see it carry on," she said. "SIRCH has done an amazing job with it and I am so proud that they were the organization to take it over. It was a need and SIRCH is wonderful at finding the needs."

Warburton still helps out as a volunteer every year and is thrilled to see so much generosity in Haliburton County.

Since taking it over, SIRCH has given away thousands of winter items in Haliburton County and Bancroft.

For more information about Share The Warmth or SIRCH Community services, email info@sirch.on.ca or call 705-457-1742.

Submitted by
SIRCH Community Services

What's Happening at Point in Time?

Reminder of our services and supports

We are continuing to offer mental health and counselling supports in person at our offices or the Youth Hub, virtually via zoom or by phone. Point in Time office hours are 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. and appointments are available as needed after hours as well. We offer Quick Access Clinics where individuals or families can be seen quickly by calling or texting 705-457-5345 to set up an appointment.

The Youth Wellness Hub is open to youth aged 12 to 25 on Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Tuesdays and Thursdays noon to 8 p.m., and the second Saturday of every month 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

We are open for crisis calls from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m,, Monday to Friday, and work with another agency, 310-COPE, to provide after hours coverage. We work together to ensure around-the-clock crisis supports. For after hours crisis support, please call or text 310-COPE at 1-855-310-2673.

Youth Wellness Hub update

We now have tutoring and homework help available to students from 3:30 to 5 p.m. every Thursday! Tutoring help will occur at the main Point in Time Office on 69 Eastern Ave. Please call the Youth Hub at 705-457-2727 for details.

Our hub drop-ins for youth aged 12 to 15 years old on Fridays from 3:30 to 5 p.m. are continuing through the school year. Rides are available – text or call 705-457-2727.

Check out our October calendar and keep track of all our drop-in activities and events by following us on instagram @halicountyyouthhub! Events this month include Halloween crafting, candle making, Walk for Wenjack, Three Sisters Soup with Ashley, and a pumpkin carving party. And if you're in town for Halloween, drop by our Haunted House!

Connections Committee event: From Intent to Action

Event #3 in the Coming Full Circle Community Education Series has been rescheduled for Wednesday, Oct. 18th from 9:30 amm. to 1:30 p.m.

This in-person event at the Minden Community Centre is a free, practical, 'how to' designed for you by local service providers and people with lived experience of mental health challenges and substance use.

Register with Amanda Duncombe-Lee, Strategic Services Coordinator at Point in Time (amandadl@pointintime.ca) by Oct. 10 and include your email, phone number and occupation title.

Upcoming social media presentation - HHSS

A social media safety presentation coming to the high school in November – details will be announced soon. Please check our website www.pointintime.ca for details.

Submitted by Point in Time

The Library's mental health & well-being collection

CHRIS STEPHESON

Special to *County Life*

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The New Science of Everyday Wonder and How It Can Transform Your Life
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Dr. Diane McIntosh
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HOW RADICAL SELF-CARE CAN CHANGE THE WORLD
Shelly Tygielski
Founder of Pandemic of Love
Foreword by CHELSEA HANDLER

A sample of a collection of books at HCPL. /CHRIS STEPHENSON Special to *County Life*

In my past, Fall has been a time of year when I've experienced Seasonal Affective Disorder, or S.A.D. Since then, I often remind patrons about the types of support resources available for free at libraries.

At Haliburton County Public Library (HCPL) in 2019, a Mental Health and Well-Being resource list was created by working with the professionals on the Haliburton Highlands Family Health Team. This year, Registered Social Worker, Barb Fraser from our partner organisation, reviewed the list again and suggested the purchase of eight new titles. Presently, there are 69 diverse titles in this collection in print, including audio and eBook versions where available. We're working on finding funding for this special collection so that it's maintained well, and we can continue to build it with cutting-edge, relevant materials for years to come. You can find the list on our website at: www.haliburtonlibrary.ca by using the dropdown menu in the 'Borrowing' tab at the top of the homepage.

The Mental Health and Well-Being Collection is not an exhaustive list of the library's self-help materials or other resources you may find at HCPL, but rather a helpful starting point. The list is divided into six topics: Anxiety & Depression; Grief; Relationships; Sleep; Stress & Relaxation; and Mindfulness & Meditation. Additionally, a button at the bottom of this webpage will lead you to a variety of apps and websites that may help you in your journey to better mental health and well-being. Clicking on it takes you to our digital library, where you'll find links to websites such as Anxiety Canada, or an online resource for practising self-compassion, for example.

As with all our books and audiobooks, you can view each item available at HCPL, and place holds through our website to request the item for pickup at any HCPL service point. And if your medical or service provider, including the Haliburton Highlands Family Health Team, recommends further reading to you, you'll want to check the list or talk to an HCPL staff member to find the titles that may compliment this patient care. Please note, of course, that these resources do not replace the beneficial support or intervention which is available when engaging with a medical professional, social worker, counsellor, crisis worker, or other mental health practitioner.

In addition, at various points of the year, we make purchases recommended by patrons and visitors at HCPL. So, if there's a resource that's helped you and you want to bring it to our attention, please consider filling out a Material Request Form on our website. While our Mental Health and Well-Being collection is reserved for books chosen by health care professionals, we'd be happy to hear from you and would consider adding the item to our regular collection. We're standing by to help if you have any questions about this important aspect of our catalogue. It's a collection that benefits our community members and supports our local professionals at the same time. Good luck on your own journey!

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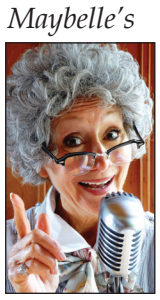
If I could only remember what I forgot, don'tcha know!

Maybelle's

Fireside stories

HELLO, DEAR reader. I've been thinking a lot about you, lately, and wondering how you're doing. In fact, there's something I've been wanting to tell, but wouldn't you know it, *I can't remember what it was!*

Now, that seems to happen a lot lately, and I'm not going to go blaming it on some cosmic flares, don'tcha know. No, ol' Maybelle will own up to it, if I only knew what it was I am owning up TO!

Why, just this morning, I gave Bogart my pet bear a big, you guessed it, BEAR hug and the treat of a honey pot, and went outside to the porch to get something. Well, wouldn't you know, I stop dead in my tracks thinking: What was it I came out here to get? Or was it to see something? Or do something? For the likes of me, ol' Maybelle drew a blank. Have you ever tried to draw a blank? It's impossible.

And now I'm finding the strangest things in the strangest places.

And since I don't believe it's a poltergeist, it's gotta be *me*!

I found the keys to Brewster my truck in the butter compartment of my refrigerator, don'tcha know. I found an old brassiere that went missing two years ago on a bookshelf behind a big book on vintage relics. Seemed apropos, but, still. I found a cabbage and a rutabaga that Twindle Mumbly gave me straight from his veggie garden, under my four-poster bed behind my pink bunny slippers. And as for my eyeglasses … why I found my favourite pair that had gone missing after the meet n' greet around a bonfire out back of my cottage last week, in a bird's nest half-way down my driveway next to a rusty ol' bicycle whose owner is a total mystery.

Since I don't want to play detective, and I DO want to be clearer in my head … you know, see the forest AND the trees, I've started taking Vitamin B12. Seems it's good for perking up the brain, don'tcha know.

In the meantime, I'm going to practice Mindfulness. Being in the moment. I mean, I'm in the moment, but my mind needs to be here with me instead of running into thoughts about tomorrow or yesterday, don'tcha know. I mean, imagine if you're a football player and you've just caught the ball and you start running but can't remember why. BIG problem. Especially when you keep thinking about that trip to the Caribbean you want to take with your sweetie.

Not the place or time. You gotta score that touchdown, don'tcha know.

OH, I just remembered what I wanted to tell you. Something I'm exited about.

I'll mention it to you again closer to the date but my news is … I was asked to write a column right there on the Northern Lights Pavilion stage on Friday, February 16 for a fundraiser for the exciting new theatre company, CtrlARTDelete headed up by Tim Nicholson. That's right.

So, I hope you can come and watch all my friends in Lake WhaddayathinkImean, come to life:

Vilma Yucch, Sybil Beaucannon Hughes, Beanpole Starkman, and Twindle Mumbly.

It's going be lots of fun, and my mind is spinning with ideas like a smoothy in a blender about what I might write that night.

Say, maybe THAT'S why I keep forgetting what I can't remember!

Yeah, that's IT! I'm sure of it.

But, as for the cabbage and rutabaga behind my bunny slippers … must be my ol' synapses playing tricks on me.

Boy, synapses these days.

Maybelle's Fireside Stories is written by Jerelyn Craden. "Maybelle's Cure for What Ails You," 21 of Maybelle's best short stories is now available at www.amazon.com.

Top 10 ways that turkeys celebrate Thanksgiving

WE OFTEN talk and write about our human Thanksgiving preparations and celebrations, but very few of us think much of how the turkeys deal with the holiday. Well, lucky for you, I have given this a lot of thought. Here are the top 10 ways that turkeys celebrate Thanksgiving.

STEVE GALEA
Humour Columnist

1. By finally taking off their chicken suits.
2. Downing glasses of cranberry and vodka for those they lost.
3. Retiring the "Caution: Avian Influenza" sign for another year.
4. By finally putting on weight again.
5. Removing their iron neck collars.
6. By releasing the farmer's son.
7. By no longer pretending to be a hunting decoy.
8. By donating large sums of money to the Tofurkey Marketing Board.
9. By getting stuffed.
10. By removing their $7.99 a pound price tags.

Night poems

They come in beams but I remember
Next to nothing, though September
Stirs my inner rhymes and feelings
Since October's next in dealings
With an even deeper haunting
Spirit-thoughts get dark and daunting
Something linked to sky and moon
Sound of trees as if they swoon
As I do when a night's all mine
And heaven shimmers with starshine
Like paintings in a children's book
Of flying boys and Captain Hook
Best reading's done beneath a quilt
With flashlight and delicious guilt
Each silent page turns like a key
To places only I can be
In safety of my patchwork tent
With Peter Pan I'm heaven-sent
Like Anne I muse from Gable bed
And hope the world is safe instead
Of loud and fast and too big for
An autumn-lover, soft, but sure
That thinking magically can last
Through future dreams as well as past

By Deborah J Reed

Fresh and new

Thanks to funds from the Eagle Lake Women's Society, new Welcome to Eagle Lake signs have been purchased and installed on Eagle Lake Road and Haliburton Lake Road. /Submitted by Peter McLuskey

Becoming

Puddles of Sun, splashing the trail,
light seeping through cracks in clay clouds,
my eyes skittering after the pair of squirrels, streaking across the gravel,
bounding up the trunk of a tree, one, seeking sanctuary in its highest branches,
the other, leaping from a limb onto the branch of a maple, landing in a forest of leaves,
its tail, swishing, as it continues its climb, towards the crown of the tree.
I listen to gravel crunch beneath my feet, wishing I could take such leaps,
as I march along the trail,
slowing my steps, feeling my Breath flow through me like breeze,
imbibing Sky and the silhouettes of hills, undulating in the distance,
my eyes, tracing the curves of their spines,
the fragrance of pine, tickling my nostrils, as I pause in a grove of trees, nestled along the side of the trail,
inhaling the pureness of Air, as I seek shelter amongst this family of pines,
the elders and saplings and the ones in-between, all huddled together,
the space between them, laced with the scent of their needles,
the wooden petals of pine cones, blooming on their branches, birthing their own Becoming,
as I take sips of unsullied Air, that this patch of forest shares with me, my eyes, climbing the incline,
row after row of pines, standing straight as soldiers, battling the elements instead of one another,
surviving Wind and storm, and the cramped barracks of the forest, always room, for another sapling to grow,
as I watch a chipmunk skitter across the forest floor,
gripping an acorn in its paws, preparing for the season ahead.
I stare up at the tops of the tall tall pines, marveling at the strength of their spindly spines,
that carry them through the whole of their lives, straightening the slouch in my back,
as I meander out onto the trail, a blur of black fur, crawling along the gravel.
I crouch down to watch the caterpillar, inching its way along the trail, unaware of what it will become,
as a monarch butterfly flutters through Air, appearing, as if, out of nowhere,
not knowing what it once was,
my eyes, trailing its flight, cupping my face up towards a clay Sky, clouds, cocooning Sun,
the caterpillar's journey, barely begun.

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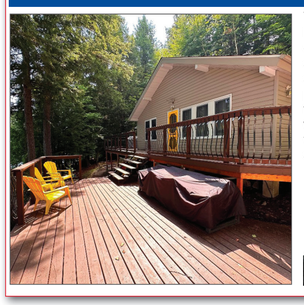

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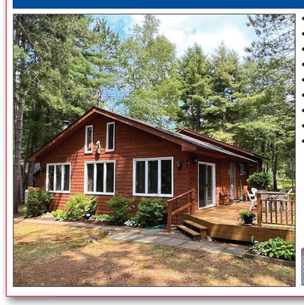

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Above, A chipmunk looks for a snack. /Submitted by Tammy Nash

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Branch 129 Haliburton

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Tuesdays: League darts starting at 7 p.m. Haliburton Army Cadets practice 6:30 to 9 p.m. (Sept to June)

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Thursdays: General Meeting third Thursday of the month, starting at 7 p.m. All members urged to attend.

Ladies Auxiliary last Thursday of the month at 1 p.m.

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Branch 636 Minden

Lunch - Monday to Friday

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Tuesday: Food 5 p.m. Canoe FM Bingo 6 p.m.

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Oct. 14 – Paul Adams Crib Tournament Reg 10:30 a.m. Play 11:30 a.m.m Lunch available - Open 2 to 6 p.m. Meat Draw 3pm -

Oct. 15 –L.A. Breakfast 9 a.m. to 11a.m. to CLOSED after Breakfast

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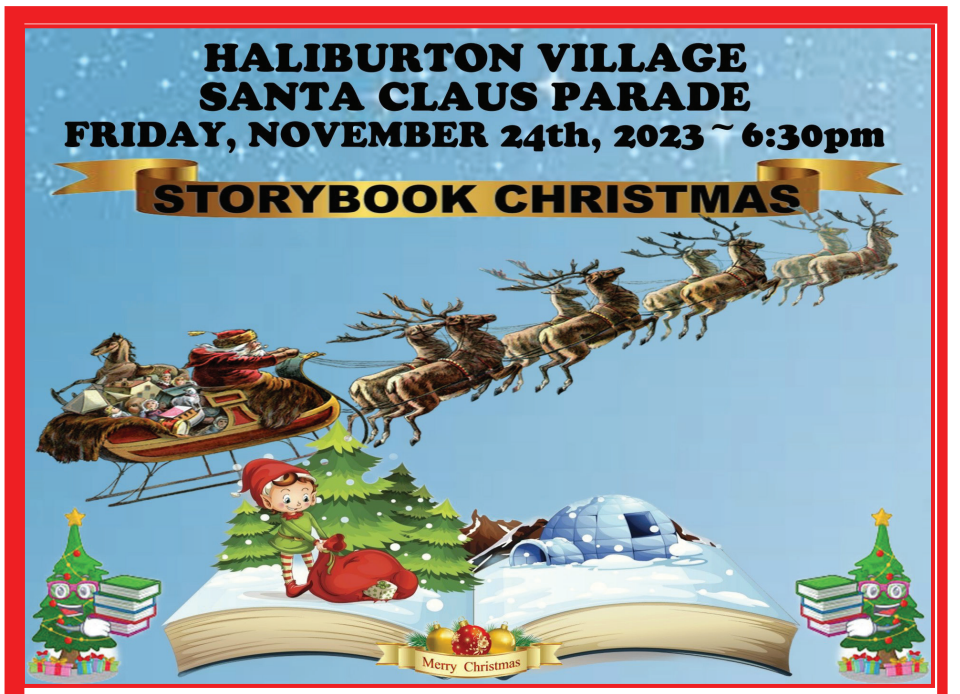

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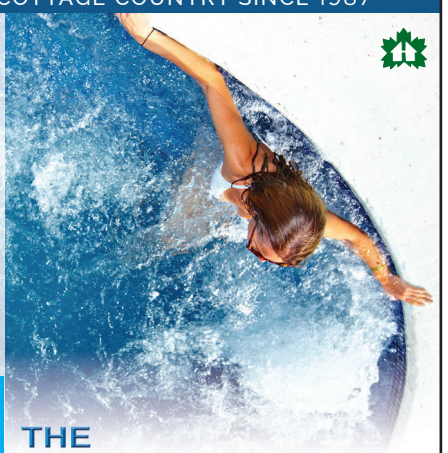

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Black liquor is okay – but is it useful at Soyers Lake?

by MARTHA PERKINS
Editor

After going through Ministry of the Environment reports, Dr. David Pengelly isn't very worried about the use of black liquor as a dust suppressant.

But should Domtar be granted ministry permission to put dioxins into its waste product, the Soyers Lake cottager would be very much against having it anywhere near a road. Dioxins are highly toxic and have a half life of 10 years; they'll still be at half their strength a decade from now.

This is worrisome if the waste material seeps into the ground water, or is ingested by animals on the road. The dioxins would be passed on through the food chain, with harmful effects.

At Thursday night's Anson, Hindon and Minden council meeting, Dr. Pengelly argued on behalf of the Soyers Lake Ratepayers' Association that a dust suppressant isn't really needed. However, if council disagrees, then he suggests that using calcium chloride is not only more efficient, but less expensive.

He noted that Soyers Lake Road is relatively humid and there is an average of 200 vehicles a day on the road. Black liquor – a waste product from Domtar's cardboard factory in Trenton – is best suited for roads with the opposite conditions.

Correspondingly, calcium chloride is best used where the soil is porous, such as the Soyers Lake Road.

Councils have always favoured black liquor because it is provided free of charge. The only cost is the application. But Dr. Pengelly says that because black liquor is not really very good as a dust suppressant, it must be applied more often, and it should only be applied immediately after a road has been graded.

"Black liquor has less than one-sixth the effect even when applied 10 times as often as calcium chloride," Dr. Pengelly said. "It doesn't seem sensible that someone (Domtar) can solve its waste management problems by shipping it off to other municipalities."

Calcium chloride is more expensive, but it is more effective

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County's choice for CAO job backs out

■ *It's back to the drawing board to fill 4-month vacancy*

by LINDA SHUTT
Staff Reporter

The county's first choice to fill the chief administrative officer's position has rejected the job offer.

After being interviewed by the personnel committee and accepting the job last Friday the candidate, whose name has not been revealed, changed his mind over the weekend.

He was one of 32 candidates who applied for the job, vacant since Gary McKnight took the position of administrator at Hyland Crest Senior Citizens' Home last June.

Five of the applicants were interviewed and county council will now have to decide if they will move down the list to make another selection or begin the whole process again in light of the selected candidate's withdrawal.

The decision to advertise for a CAO was made by the county council in August and a month has now passed since the September 21 deadline for applicants.

The vote on the hiring plan was a contentious one. By a 13-6 vote council agreed to fill the CAO's position rather than hire a clerk-treasurer. It is expected the decision will be revisited at tomorrow's (Wednesday) county council meeting.

A HUNDRED HOMETOWN TREES: Terry Sicard of Haliburton IGA places one of the 100 ash trees that were planted at Head Lake Park on Saturday as part of IGA's Hometown Trees project. Store owner Janet O'Neil, right, helps out, while teacher Diane Dron and some of her students look on. Two evergreen trees also were planted in memory of former Echo advertising manager Creighton Feir. Many students and parents turned out to help dig and plant.

Council follows in Creighton's footsteps

One of Haliburton's most loved residents will be honoured in the place he loved the most.

Dysart council has agreed to name the boardwalk along Head Lake Park in memory of the late Creighton Feir.

Creighton, who at one time owned the *Echo* and was its long-serving advertising manager, was often seen walking along the boardwalk. Walking was his favourite form of exercise, and this was his favourite place to walk. But as he walked, he'd often stop to chat with people along the way, or lift his arm in greeting to the passersby on Highway 121.

He died in May, leaving a large gap in both the *Echo* and the community.

Last month, the Haliburton Rotary Club asked council's permission to name the boardwalk in Creighton's honour. Council postponed its decision for a month, wanting to get public reaction.

Not surprisingly, the public was very much in favour of the idea. Creighton was loved and respected by everyone he met. He was known for his kindness and his humour, and above all, his willingness to listen and to help.

The Rotary Club is now designing the plaque, which council will install.

Ailing Bill Scott returns home after a brief stay in hospital

Former MP Bill Scott is home in Kinmount after a brief hospital stay.

"He's doctoring at home now," said his son, Guy, on Monday morning. "We still don't know what was the matter, but he's not seriously ill."

Last week, the riding's long-standing Member of Parliament spent a few days in Minden and Peterborough hospitals. Last spring, he announced that after 27 years in Conservative politics, he would not seek another term in office. It had been a very tiring life, and he wanted to be able to spend more time at home with his wife, Betty.

As people learned he was ill, "our phone as almost burst off the hook," says Guy. Many people are very fond of Bill Scott, who earned a lot of loyalty during his years of service in Ottawa.

Fundraiser wants to help new mums

by LINDA SHUTT
Staff Reporter

Every year the 'Born in Haliburton' list increases by 30 or 40 names. The joy a mother feels giving birth to her child close to home and among familiar faces is an additional bonus to the arrival of her new baby.

Unfortunately, for the mothers who are able to give birth at the Haliburton Hospital (because of limited facilities most first-time mothers go to a larger hospital), some of the outdated and uncomfortable equipment can make the experience less pleasant than it needs to be.

Now the obstetrics doctors at the hospital are organizing a campaign to raise money for a couple of pieces of modern equipment.

"There are two items that are really important, said Dr. Tina Moga. "We need a birthing chair and modern forceps."

Together with Dr. Norm Bottum, Dr. Steve Ferracuti and Dr. Kristy Gammon she is approaching the Rotary Club and the public to raise $1,500 needed to buy the two items.

"The Cadillac of birthing chairs is $12,000," said Dr. Moga. "But that's way out of our realm."

Instead, Dr. Bottum wants to ask Western University to design a portable chair that fits a regular hospital bed.

With the change in ideas on how a mother should give birth, the old fashioned metal slab at the hospital needs to be replaced with a more comfortable birthing chair.

"We just cringe when we see patients using the bed," said Dr. Moga. A new chair would allow mothers to sit propped up and a portable version would avoid the need to move a mother from her hospital bed to that dreaded metal slab. The labour and birth could take place on the same bed.

The old steel forceps are also outmoded and the doctors avoid using them. Consequently when they are needed, when the baby needs a nudge towards the end of the labour process, the doctors feel uncomfortable using them.

The modern forceps use a rubber cap and are electric powered, lessening the risk to the child. The can be as much as $3,300 but Moga said the doctors would be happy to get a more streamlined version available for $300.

Dr. Moga has had a family practice in Haliburton for seven years. She moved here after graduating from Ottawa University and a year's internship in Toronto.

"Births are the most enjoyable part of my job. I think it's a special experience and mothers need a warm, comfortable environment, with people they know around them."

The smal hospital already welcomes patients in a more home-like setting but staff have been working towards updating and improving the comfort and safety for their obstetrics patients for some time.

"They need a warm, comfortable environment with people they know around them," says Dr. Moga.

Last year the hospital raised funds for an infant warmer – a large bassinet for newborns.

All the doctors attended a neonatal resuscitation course given by Dr. Allan White from Peterborough Civic Hospital.

Having a hospital close to home, and the friendly, familiar staff help provide the comforting environment mothers want.

But the staff and doctors need just a little help making it that little bit better.

BABY BONUS: Proud parents and Dr Tina Moga (centre rear) with some of the babies delivered at Haliburton Hospital. Back row: Janet Botham and Ian Botham (3 mths). Stephen Smith and Matthew Smith (9 mths). Front row : Megan Botham (3 yrs), Brittany (31/2 yrs), Sue and Brandon Thomas (18 mths).

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2.55 ACRES | 259 FT. FRONTAGE | MLS# 40476949

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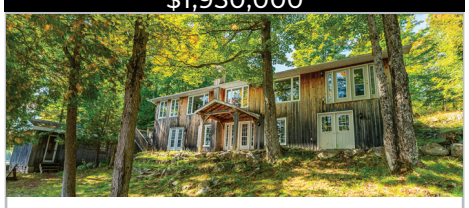

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4 X BED | 3 X BATH | MLS# 404669724

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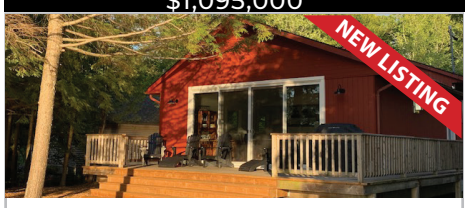

NORTHWEST EXPOSURE | 108 FT. FRONTAGE | BUNKIE | MLS# 40485310

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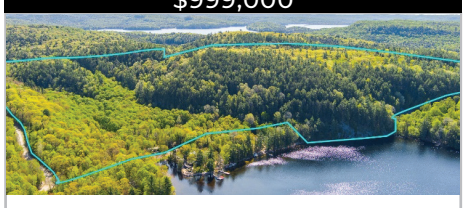

169 ACRES | SOUTHWEST EXPOSURE | MLS# 40424313

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1210 SQ.FT | 149.97 FT. FRONTAGE | MLS# 40438545

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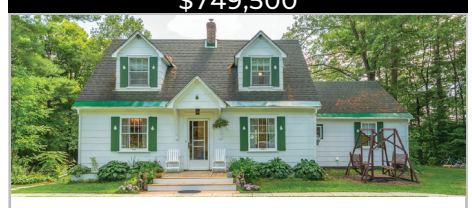

1990 SQ.FT | SOUTHWEST EXPOSURE | MLS# 40474802

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150 FT. FRONTAGE | WESTERN EXPOSURE | MLS# 40481658

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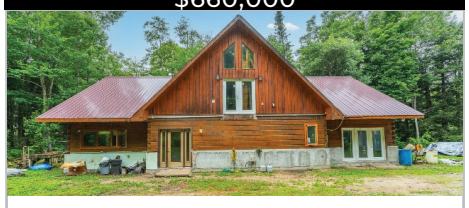
$660,000



3 X BED | 2.7 ACRES | MLS# 40463263

TWELVE MILE LAKE
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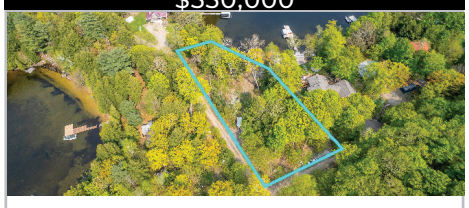

164 FT. FRONTAGE | 0.92 ACRES | MLS# 40422196

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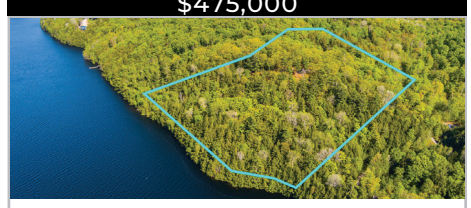
$475,000



7.72 ACRES | 470 FT. FRONTAGE | MLS# 40424285

SALERNO LAKE ROAD
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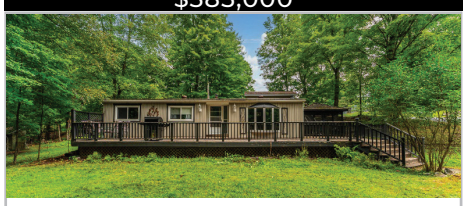
2.76 ACRES | OFF GRID | MLS# 40487128

EASTERN AVE
$385,000



3 X BED | 1 X BATH | MLS# 40465659

BETHEL ROAD
$195,000

330 FT. FRONTAGE | 24.65 ACRES | MLS# 40476956

HADLINGTON ROAD
$159,000

400 FT. FRONTAGE | 10.32 ACRES | MLS# 40482574

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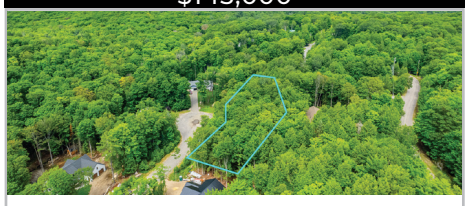
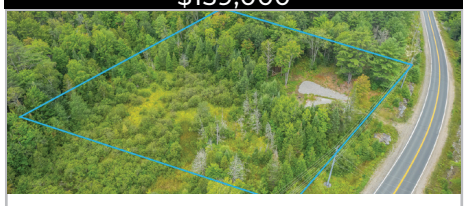
$145,000



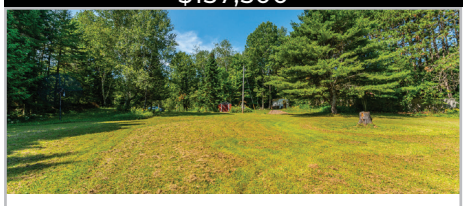
HYDRO | 1.47 ACRES | MLS# 40453568

COUNTY RD. 121
$139,000



265 FT. FRONTAGE | 1.77 ACRES | MLS# 40474702

KERNOHAN FARM TRAIL
$137,500



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DILLMAN TRAIL
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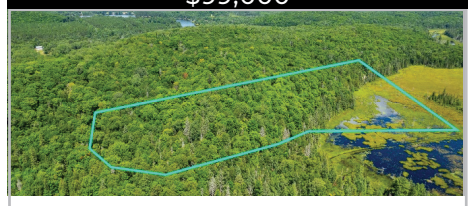

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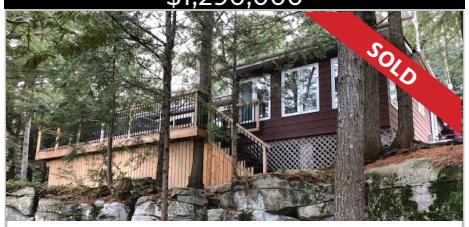
KENNISIS LAKE
$1,290,000



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REDSTONE LAKE
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KENNISIS LAKE
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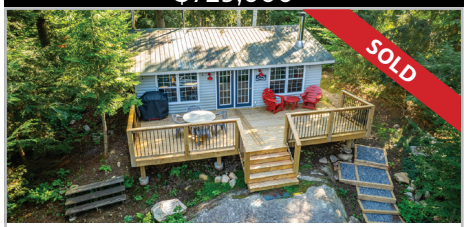

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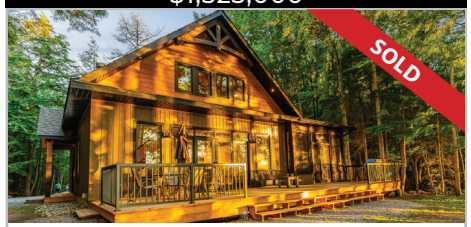
LITTLE KENNISIS LAKE
$1,525,000



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